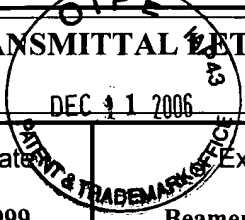
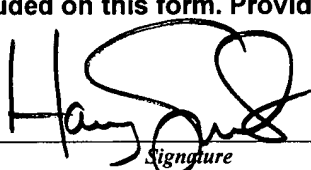
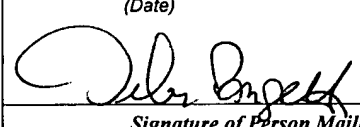


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This paper is herewith filed in response to the Examiner's second, non-final Office Action mailed on 09/22/2006 for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. As such, no petition for an extension of time or fee is believed to be due, as this response is herewith filed within the shortened statutory period. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken, please consider this a petition for any extension of time that may be required to maintain the pendency of this Patent Application, and charge deposit account no.: 50-1924 for any required fee deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.

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